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In a telephone conversation today with Examiner Sergent, Mr. Sergent indicated that he had not yet received the response that had been mailed previously by Corning in the above-described patent application. Attached herewith is a copy of the postcard that was received back from the Patent Office, date stamped to indicate that the USPTO hads received the response on September 12, 2003. That response, which was sent out September 9th, 2003, is also attached herewith. Applicants respectfully request that the response be entered and afforded the date sent of September 9th, 2003, as evidenced by the certificate of mailing signed by James V. Suggs. If there are any questions please feel free to contact Bob Carlson at (607) 974-3502.

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 9, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the complete listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.